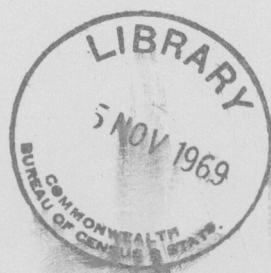


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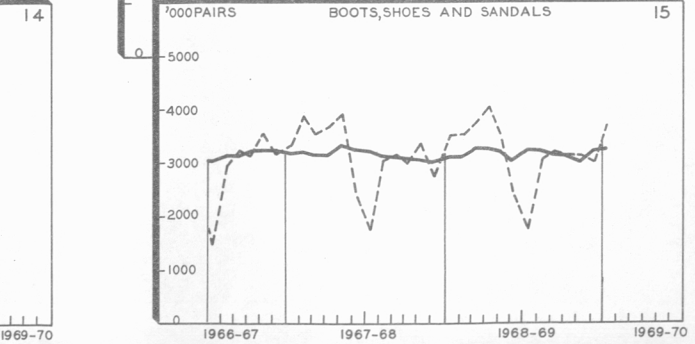
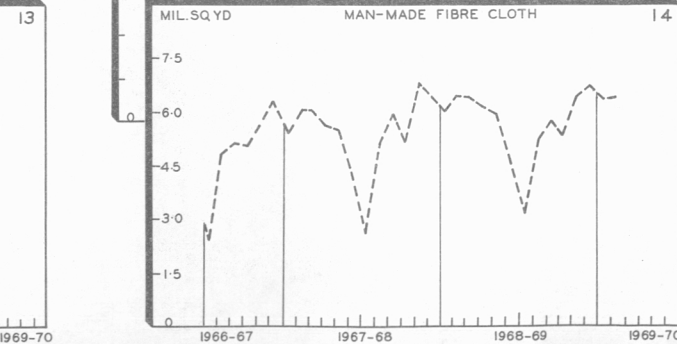
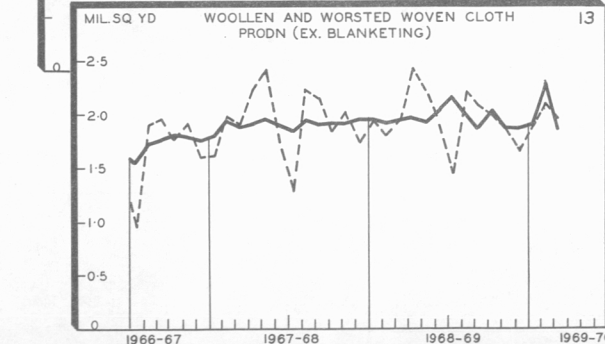
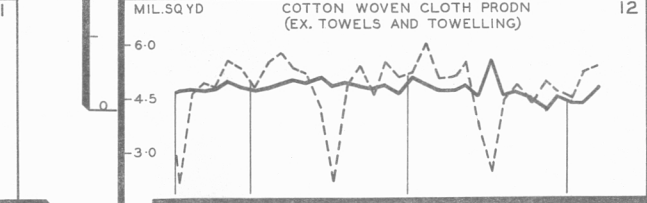
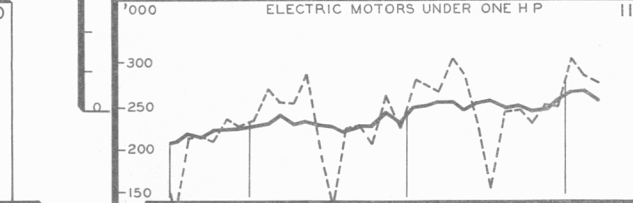
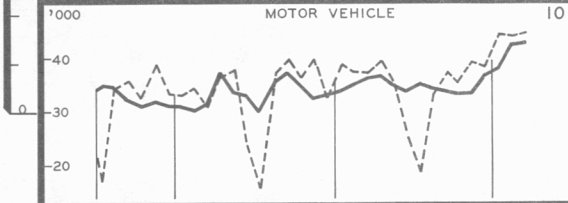
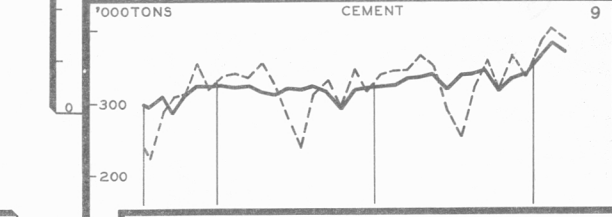
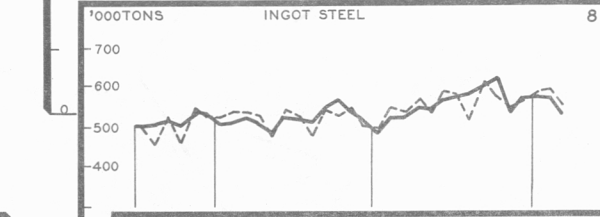
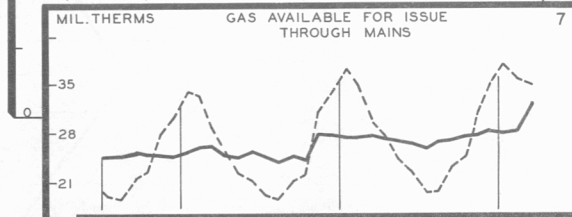
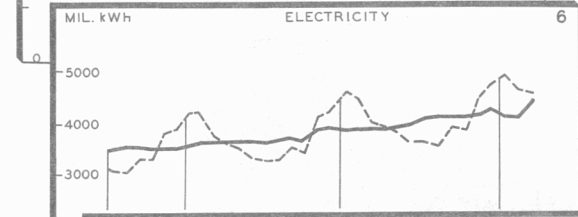
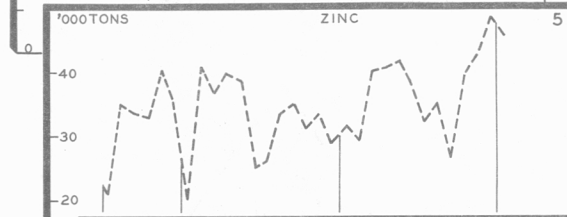
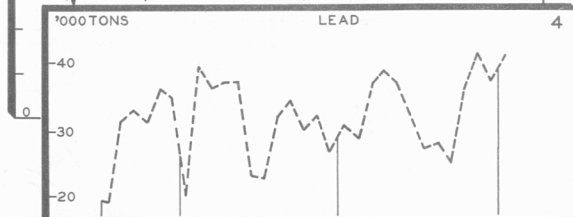
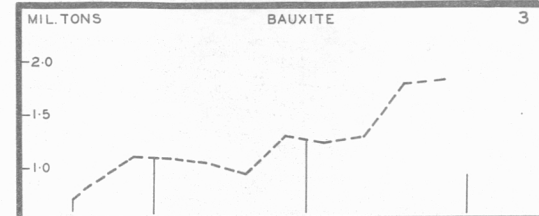
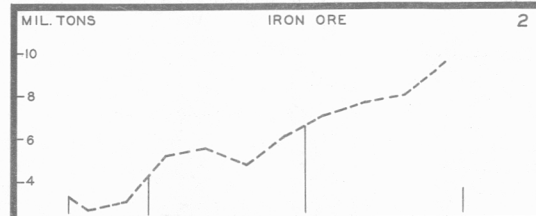
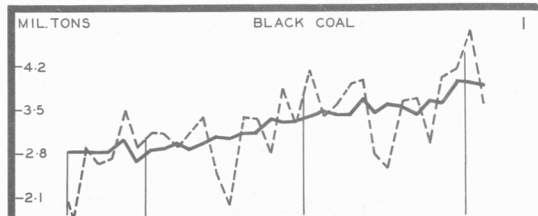
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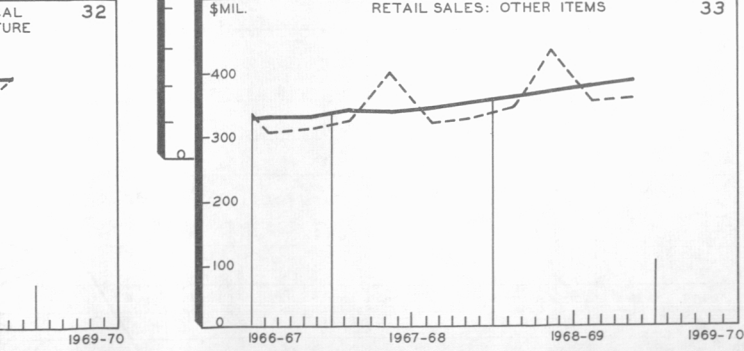
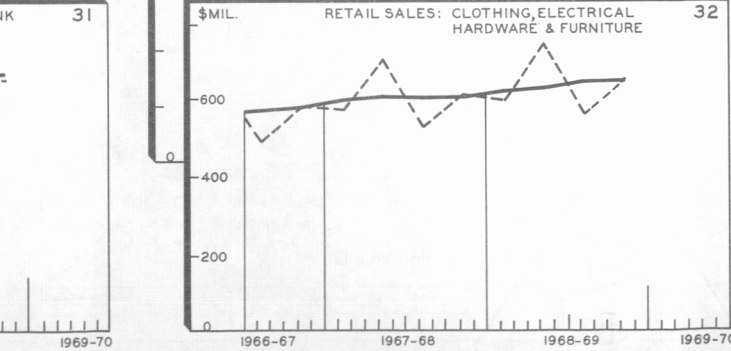
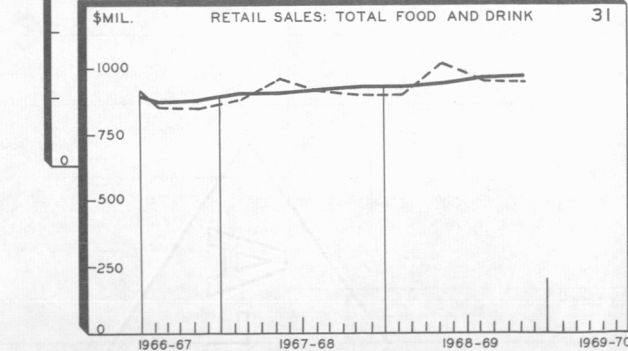
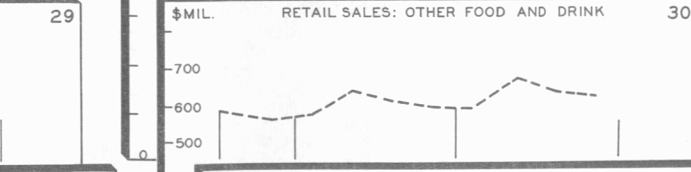
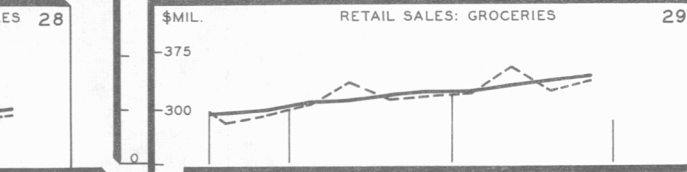
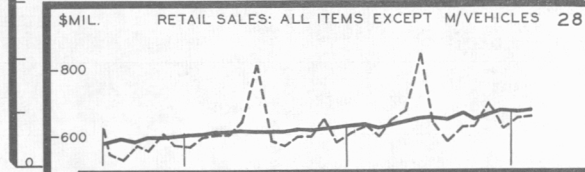
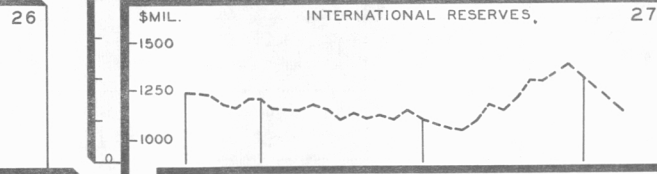
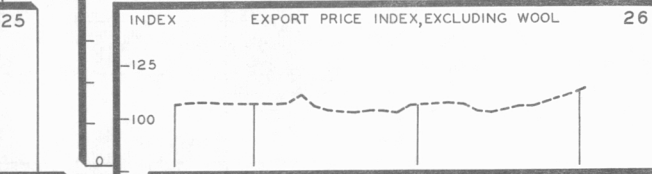
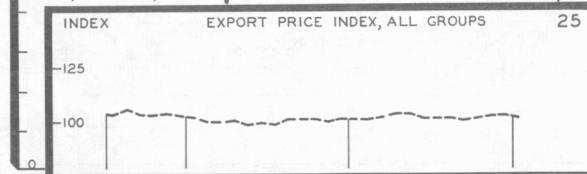
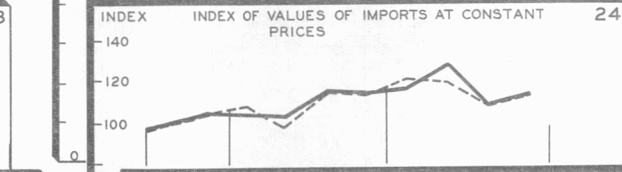
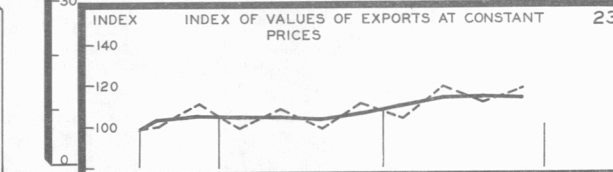
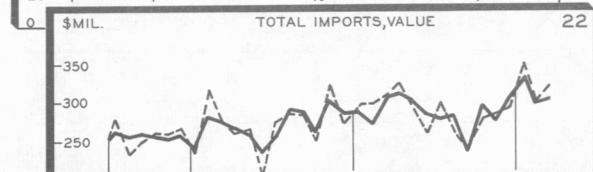
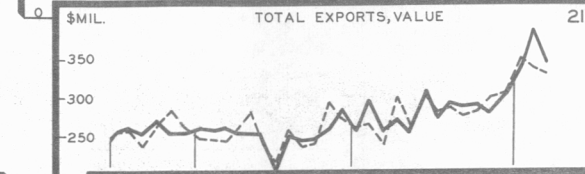
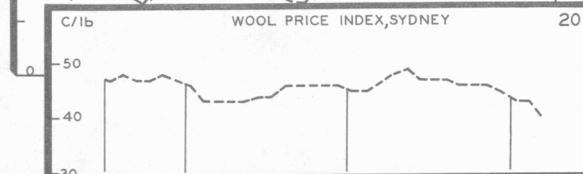
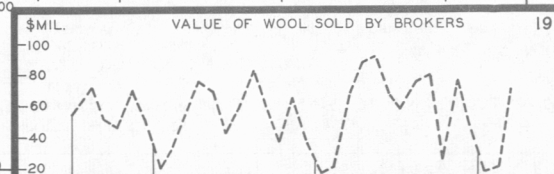
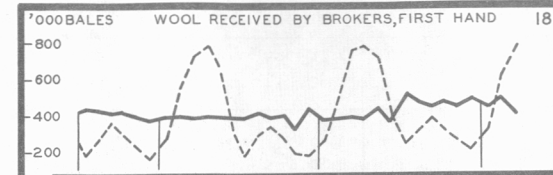
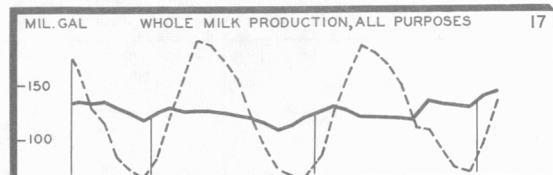
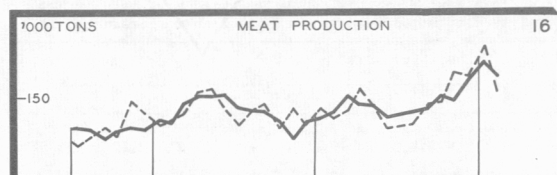


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			Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
PRODUCTION (a)																										
1.	BLACK COAL	'000 tons	Original	1,992	3,367	3,341	2,771	3,796	3,257	4,085	3,404	3,563	3,956	3,972	2,772	2,529	3,627	3,653	2,962	4,002	4,135	4,745	3,561			
		Adjusted	3,060	3,145	3,164	3,372	3,303	3,303	3,416	3,506	3,459	3,467	3,678	3,448	3,565	3,555	3,427	3,667	3,602	3,957	3,928	3,883				
2.	IRON ORE (b)	'000 tons	Original	4,917			6,130			7,193			7,737			8,034			9,672							
3.	BAUXITE (b)	'000 tons	Original	986			1,332			1,258			1,306			1,800			1,849							
4.	LEAD (c)	'000 tons	Original	22.6	31.6	34.1	29.9	32.2	26.3	30.9	28.7	36.9	38.5	37.0	32.4	28.1	29.2	25.8	36.1	42.0	37.0	41.1				
5.	ZINC (c)	'000 tons	Original	26.2	33.9	35.0	31.5	33.9	29.0	32.2	29.9	40.4	40.9	42.2	38.5	32.5	35.2	27.0	39.7	43.2	48.9	46.1				
6.	ELECTRICITY	mil. kWh	Original	3,250	3,287	3,550	3,440	4,153	4,265	4,655	4,492	4,051	3,967	3,807	3,639	3,647	3,560	3,929	3,858	4,485	4,695	4,978	4,676	4,594		
		Adjusted	3,652	3,689	3,733	3,671	3,874	3,964	3,892	3,951	3,987	3,932	3,978	4,025	4,112	4,149	4,123	4,131	4,211	4,331	4,173	4,171	4,443			
7.	GAS AVAILABLE FOR ISSUE THROUGH MAINS	mil. therms	Original	18.9	18.4	21.4	22.1	31.5	34.2	37.5	34.8	29.9	27.8	24.5	22.6	19.5	19.9	23.3	25.0	31.2	35.3	+38.3	36.1	35.2		
		Adjusted	25.1	24.2	25.2	24.5	28.3	28.0	27.6	27.6	27.7	27.6	27.3	27.0	26.1	27.3	27.4	27.7	28.0	28.7	+28.2	28.7	32.4			
8.	INGOT STEEL	'000 tons	Original	524	477	546	528	549	503	495	550	537	565	534	591	579	516	609	572	548	562	588	592	550		
		Adjusted	520	515	551	567	537	516	480	521	522	548	538	566	572	586	608	625	533	569	572	571	531			
9.	CEMENT	'000 tons	Original	237	312	329	296	347	314	341	344	345	366	349	285	253	320	360	316	365	335	385	401	386		
		Adjusted	321	321	313	295	317	318	323	326	333	335	339	319	339	340	343	315	334	339	365	382	370			
10.	MOTOR VEHICLE (d)	'000	Original	15.7	37.3	40.0	36.7	40.0	32.8	39.0	37.7	37.3	39.8	36.0	26.3	18.6	33.9	37.6	35.7	39.3	38.5	44.7	44.2	44.9		
		Adjusted	30.3	35.3	37.5	35.0	32.6	32.9	34.1	35.5	36.8	37.0	35.4	34.1	35.6	34.4	34.1	33.5	33.7	37.3	38.4	42.7	43.2			
11.	ELECTRIC MOTORS UNDER ONE HP	'000	Original	131	224	227	204	261	223	280	276	268	304	285	228	152	241	245	228	251	248	305	286	276		
		Adjusted	225	221	229	226	243	231	250	251	256	257	247	255	258	249	251	243	245	255	266	268	255			
12.	COTTON WOVEN CLOTH (excluding towels and towelling)	'000 sq yd	Original	2,173	4,936	5,434	4,611	5,552	5,101	5,212	6,035	5,078	5,153	5,561	3,628	2,537	4,385	4,996	4,329	5,033	4,760	4,636	5,244	5,417		
		Adjusted	4,892	4,966	4,885	4,775	4,900	4,714	5,130	4,975	4,746	4,780	4,904	4,592	5,588	4,544	4,718	4,481	4,245	4,617	4,475	4,392	4,828			
13.	WOOLLEN AND WORSTED WOVEN CLOTH (excluding blanketing)	'000 sq yd	Original	1,280	2,245	2,147	1,838	2,036	1,716	1,957	1,817	1,961	2,448	2,241	1,911	1,449	2,223	2,088	2,005	1,856	1,650	1,902	2,108	1,954		
		Adjusted	1,869	1,976	1,921	1,943	1,935	1,984	1,995	1,942	1,961	1,992	1,944	2,058	2,181	2,028	1,874	2,044	1,862	1,875	1,933	2,316	1,859			
14.	MAN-MADE FIBRE CLOTH /	'000 sq yd	Original	2,628	5,174	5,970	5,158	6,800	6,449	6,104	6,423	6,413	6,150	6,031	4,555	3,059	5,146	5,702	5,226	6,397	6,698	6,338	6,408			
15.	BOOTS, SHOES AND SANDALS	'000 pairs	Original	1,756	3,066	3,140	3,001	3,403	2,726	3,566	3,574	3,745	4,082	3,574	2,452	1,756	3,049	3,212	3,142	3,136	3,032	3,717				
		Adjusted	3,240	3,141	3,118	3,078	3,091	3,019	3,139	3,160	3,300	3,300	3,249	3,088	3,258	3,264	3,183	3,129	3,021	3,243	3,290					

(a) Figures from July 1968 are mainly preliminary and are subject to amendment. (b) Gross mine output. (c) Metallic contents of mine products. (d) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state. / Revised. + From 1 July 1969 includes natural gas.

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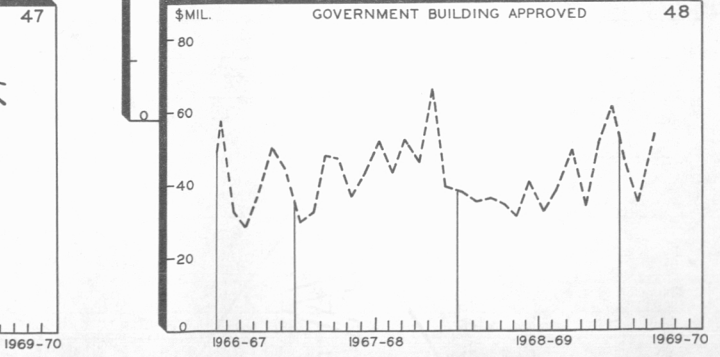
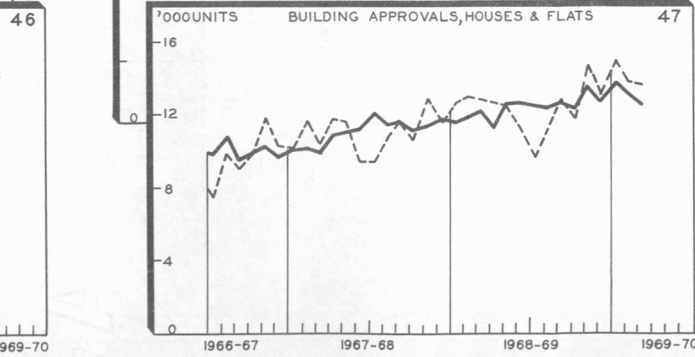
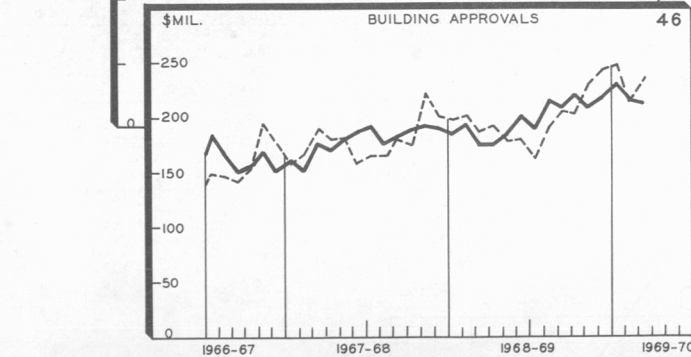
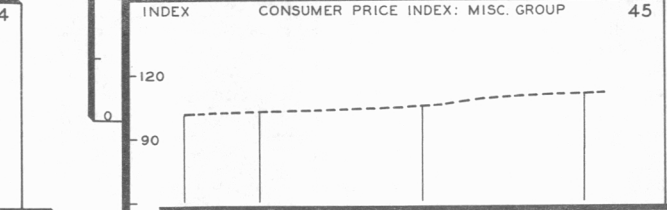
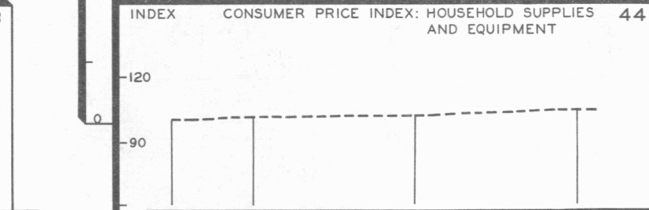
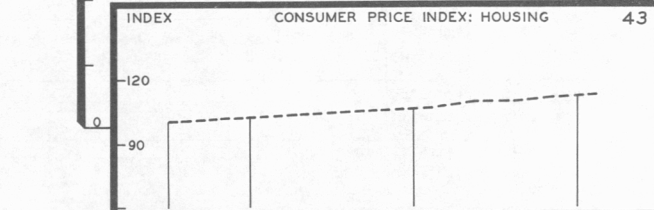
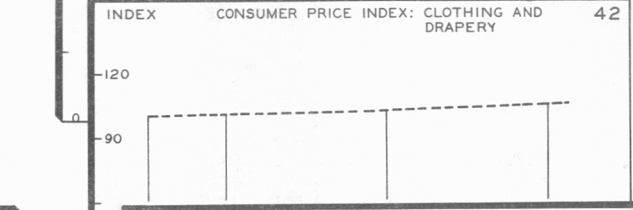
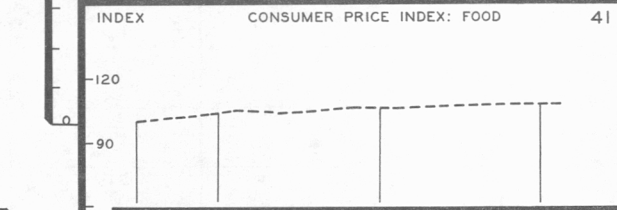
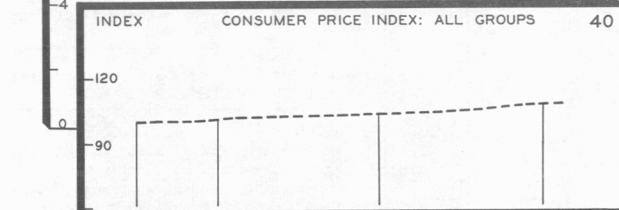
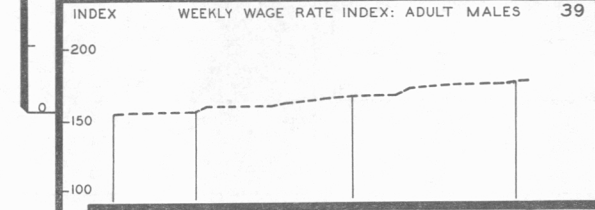
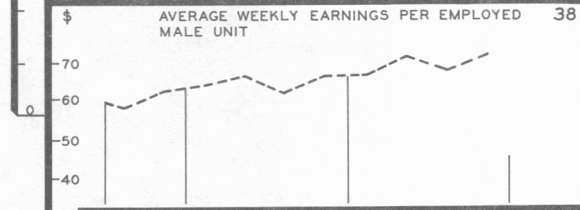
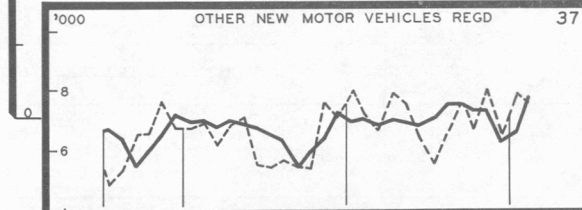
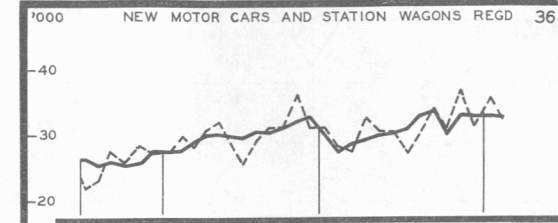
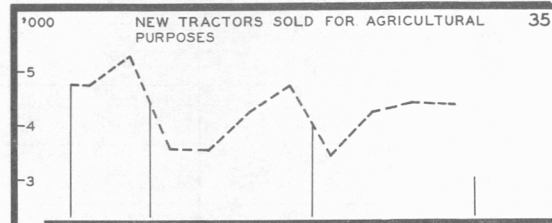
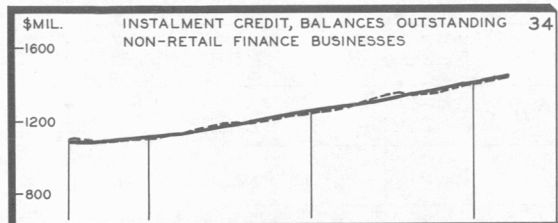


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PRODUCTION (contd)																										
16. MEAT (a)	'000 tons	Original	133	141	146	131	144	133	144	138	141	156	144	131	132	134	147	148	166	163	182	154				
		Adjusted	143	141	141	135	125	134	138	141	150	146	145	139	140	141	144	151	149	162	173	163				
17. WHOLE MILK ALL PURPOSES (a)	mil. gal	Original	154	118	96	74	66	64	88	127	161	186	180	171	150	113	111	90	75	70	96	137				
		Adjusted	124	121	118	111	116	123	128	134	129	124	123	123	121	120	137	135	134	131	141	145				
18. WOOL RECEIVED BY BROKERS, FIRST HAND	'000 bales	Original	179	298	347	287	198	188	270	503	762	781	722	398	237	316	405	328	269	208	325	621	785			
		Adjusted	396	431	406	415	340	452	380	388	402	388	456	471	532	482	456	480	455	502	452	505	403			
19. VALUE OF WOOL SOLD BY BROKERS	\$m	Original	59.3	83.4	59.0	37.5	66.0	37.8	18.2	22.5	69.2	89.0	92.3	67.9	58.3	76.0	81.1	26.5	76.4	47.5	18.5	21.9	70.7			
20. WOOL PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY cents per lb greasy		Original	44	46	46	46	46	46	45	45	46	48	49	47	47	47	46	46	46	45	43	43	40			
OVERSEAS TRADE																										
21. TOTAL EXPORTS, VALUE	\$m	Original	216	259	234	240	293	272	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	/*	/*	331			
		Adjusted	207	251	246	247	261	287	257	268	239	298	263	303	283	289	276	283	299	304	353	336	341			
22. TOTAL IMPORTS, VALUE	\$m	Original	277	287	286	252	322	273	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	/*	/*	323			
		Adjusted	261	293	289	261	306	288	290	277	309	314	302	289	282	288	239	283	290	293	352	303	308			
23. INDEXES OF VALUES AT CONSTANT PRICES EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE 1966-67 = 100		Original		101			111		*			*			*		*	*	*							
		Adjusted		104			107		105			119			112		118									
24. INDEXES OF VALUES AT CONSTANT PRICES IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE 1966-67 = 100		Original		115			113		*			*			*		*	*	*							
		Adjusted		115			113		121			119			108		114									
25. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, ALL GROUPS 1959-60 = 100		Original	98	101	101	101	100	101	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	/*	*					
		Adjusted							101	101	102	104	104	102	102	102	101	102	103	103	102					
26. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, ALL GROUPS EXCLUDING WOOL 1959-60 = 100		Original	103	103	104	104	103	105	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*					
		Adjusted							106	106	107	106	104	103	104	105	105	107	109	111	113					
27. INTERNATIONAL RESERVES (b)	\$m	Original	1,131	1,102	1,117	1,096	1,143	1,092	1,079	1,060	1,037	1,091	1,174	1,144	1,200	1,294	1,290	1,338	1,371	1,310	1,253	1,186	1,131			
INTERNAL TRADE																										
28. RETAIL SALES, ALL ITEMS except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (c)	\$m	Original	591	580	601	600	661	588	617	639	598	655	687	857	643	589	638	/*	/*	/*	*	*				
		Adjusted	623	623	629	626	635	637	641	643	633	647	652	661	665	659	679	663	673	689	684	689				
29. RETAIL SALES, GROCERIES (c)	\$m	Original		306			311			317			350			321			332							
		Adjusted		316			319			319			327			334			341							
30. RETAIL SALES, OTHER FOOD AND DRINK (c)	\$m	Original		611			591			590			662			629			617							
		Adjusted																								
31. RETAIL SALES, TOTAL FOOD AND DRINK (c)	\$m	Original		917			902			907			1,012			950			949							
		Adjusted		923			931			929			946			967			979							
32. RETAIL SALES, CLOTHING, ELECTRICAL, HARDWARE AND FURNITURE (c)	\$m	Original		526			615			597			747			562			661							
		Adjusted		604			612			620			637			652			659							
33. RETAIL SALES, OTHER (excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.) (c)	\$m	Original		328			332			350			440			359			362							
		Adjusted		349			357			366			372			386			389							

(a) Preliminary from July 1968. (b) "Gold and Foreign Exchange held by Reserve Bank" was \$971 m on 15.10.69. (c) Items 28 to 33 exclude Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. * Preliminary. / Revised.

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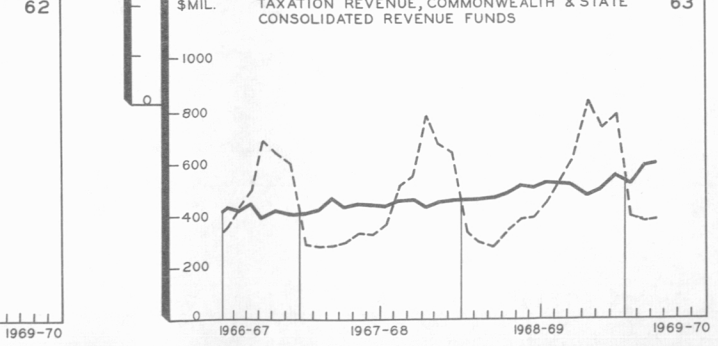
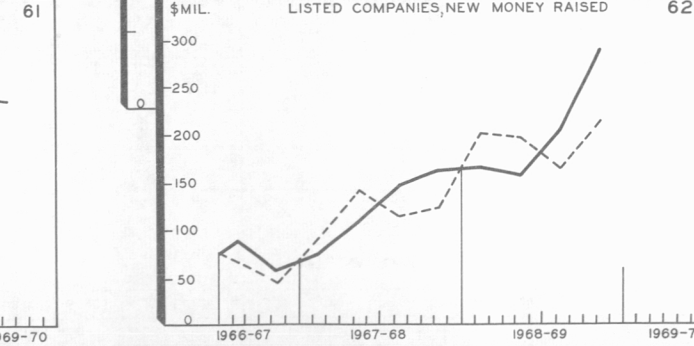
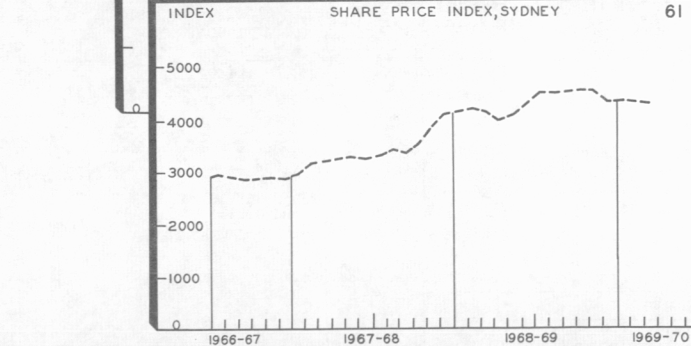
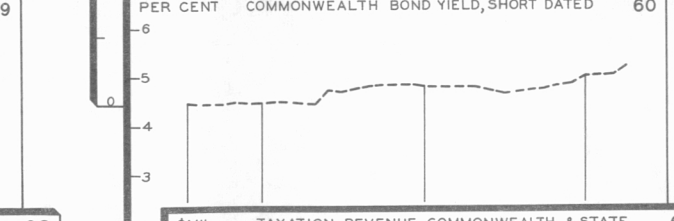
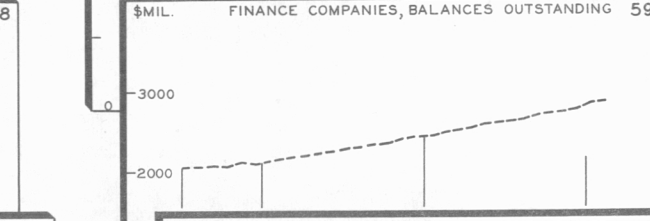
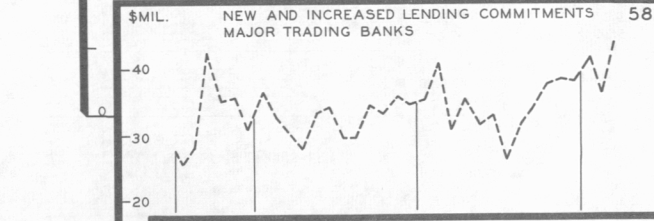
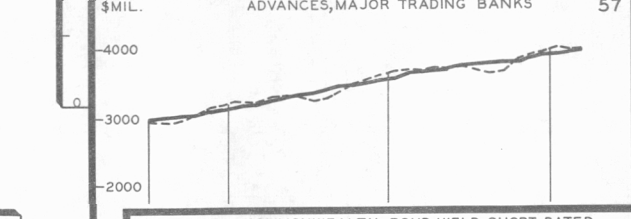
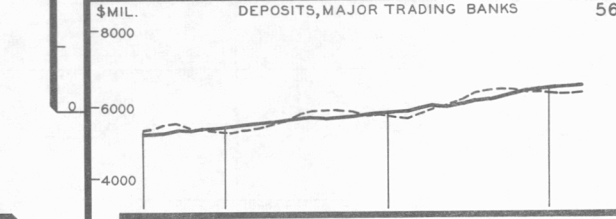
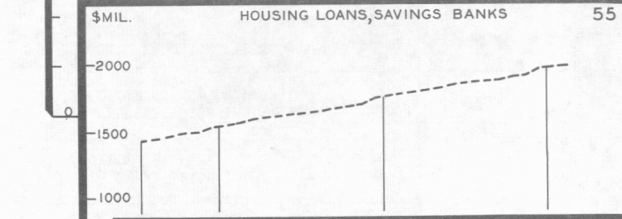
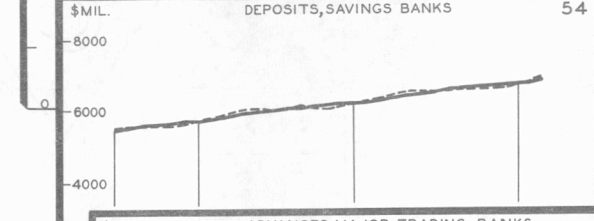
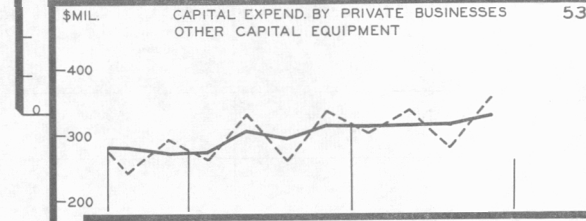
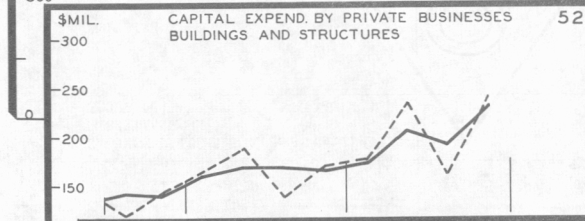
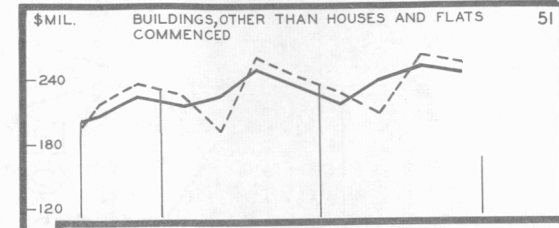
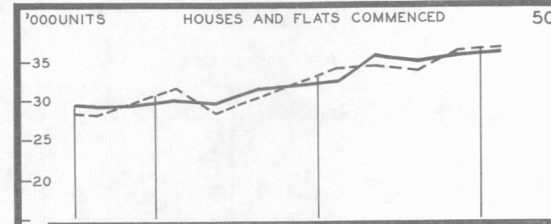
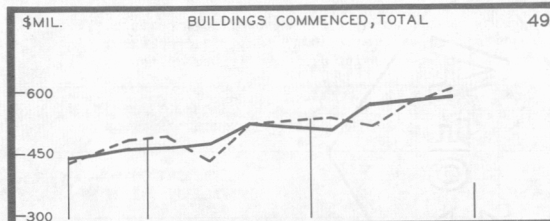
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INTERNAL TRADE (contd)																											
34.	INSTALMENT CREDIT for retail sales non-retail finance businesses, BALANCES OUTSTANDING (a) \neq	Original	1,196	1,193	1,199	1,210	1,227	1,237	1,248	1,258	1,270	1,294	1,319	1,337	1,347	1,343	1,348	1,360	1,377	1,390	*	*	*				
		\$m Adjusted	1,180	1,193	1,206	1,218	1,233	1,248	1,257	1,265	1,274	1,291	1,306	1,317	1,329	1,342	1,355	1,368	1,384	1,402	1,410	1,427	1,440				
35.	NEW TRACTORS SOLD FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES	No.	4,278			4,729			3,397			4,243			4,430			4,363									
36.	NEW MOTOR CARS AND STATION WAGONS REGISTERED	Original	25.7	29.7	31.6	31.7	36.8	31.6	31.8	28.2	27.2	32.8	30.9	30.8	27.5	30.3	34.5	31.2	37.0	31.8	36.1	32.7					
		'000 Adjusted	30.0	31.2	31.0	31.7	32.6	33.6	30.2	27.7	29.0	29.8	30.5	30.8	31.6	33.4	34.4	30.1	33.9	33.6	33.4	33.3					
37.	OTHER NEW MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED (b)	Original	5.4	5.8	5.5	5.4	7.5	7.2	8.1	7.3	6.8	7.9	7.5	6.4	5.6	6.5	7.5	6.7	8.0	6.5	7.9	7.6					
		'000 Adjusted	6.8	6.4	5.5	6.0	6.5	7.3	7.0	7.1	6.9	7.1	7.0	6.9	7.1	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.4	6.3	6.7	7.8					
WAGES, RETAIL PRICES																											
38.	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT	\$	61.90			65.90			66.30			71.30			67.20			71.40									
39.	WEEKLY WAGE RATES INDEX, ADULT MALES (c) \neq 1954 = 100	Original	161.9	162.3	162.7	163.4	164.0	164.3	164.7	166.5	166.9	172.4	172.7	173.2	173.9	174.2	174.4	174.7	174.9	175.4	175.7						
40.	CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitls, ALL GROUPS (d) 1966-67 = 100	Original	103.4			104.2			104.6			105.7			106.4			107.2			107.8						
41.	CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, FOOD (d) 1966-67 = 100	Original	104.6			105.6			105.3			105.5			105.7			106.6			106.6						
42.	CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals CLOTHING AND DRAPERY (d) 1966-67 = 100	Original	102.3			102.8			103.3			104.1			104.4			105.2			106.0						
43.	CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, HOUSING (d) 1966-67 = 100	Original	104.7			106.0			106.7			108.7			109.7			111.2			112.8						
44.	CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT (d) 1966-67 = 100	Original	101.1			101.9			102.1			102.7			103.0			103.7			103.7						
45.	CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, MISCELLANEOUS GROUP (d) 1966-67 = 100	Original	103.1			103.6			105.1			107.3			108.5			108.9			110.0						
BUILDING, ETC.																											
46.	BUILDING APPROVALS	Original	165.1	165.2	182.4	175.0	223.4	202.6	198.7	203.3	187.2	193.8	179.0	180.4	162.3	193.1	207.6	204.2	233.1	245.6	249.8	215.0	237.7				
		\$m Adjusted	194.4	177.4	184.9	189.1	193.6	191.4	185.7	194.9	175.9	176.0	185.9	204.2	191.4	216.5	211.0	222.0	210.6	220.7	232.8	216.7	213.8				
47.	BUILDING APPROVALS, HOUSES AND FLATS	Original	9.4	10.8	11.7	10.6	12.9	11.6	12.7	13.0	12.9	12.7	12.5	11.3	9.6	11.2	12.9	11.8	14.7	13.1	15.0	13.8	13.7				
		'000 units Adjusted	12.1	11.4	11.7	11.1	11.4	11.7	11.6	11.9	12.3	11.3	12.6	12.7	12.5	12.4	12.7	12.4	13.6	12.7	13.8	13.2	12.6				
48.	GOVERNMENT BUILDING APPROVED	\$m	Original	52.1	43.0	52.4	46.4	66.4	39.3	38.0	35.6	36.6	34.4	31.1	41.2	32.8	38.8	49.6	34.0	51.9	61.8	46.3	35.0	54.0			

(a) At end of month. Amounts financed in new agreements made were: May 1969 \$86.3 m; June \$78.5 m; July \$88.8 m; August \$79.3m.

(b) Includes utilities, vans, trucks, etc. (c) Weighted average. Excludes rural. (d) Fifth link effected as at December Quarter 1968. Reference base year changed to 1966-67. For further details see statistical bulletin of Consumer Price Index, March Quarter 1969. (Ref.No. 9.1). * Preliminary. \neq Revised.

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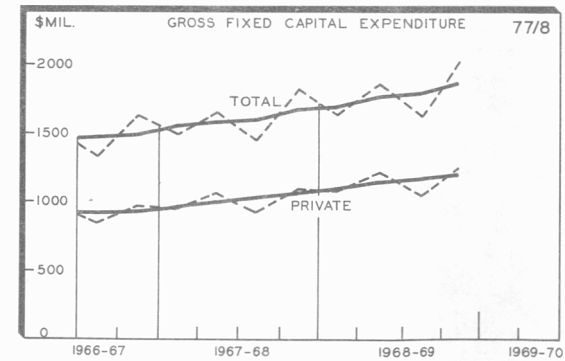
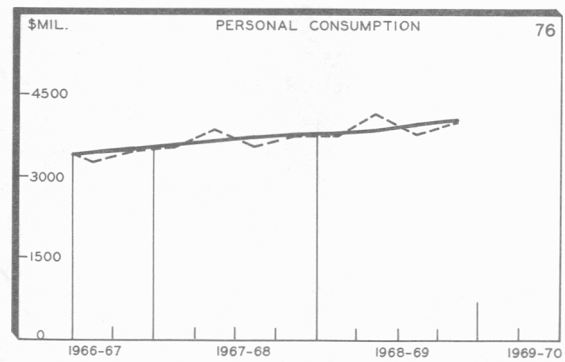
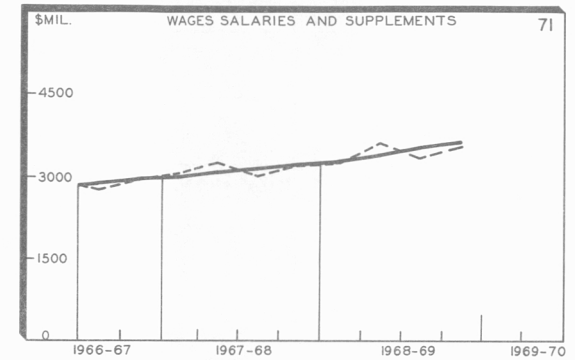
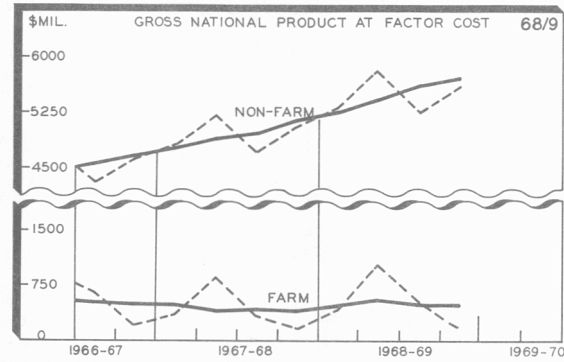
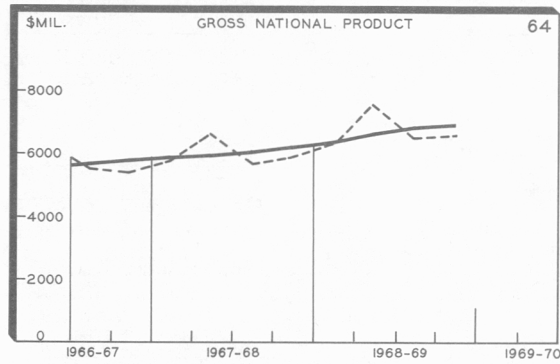


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BUILDING, ETC. (contd)																										
49.	BUILDING COMMENCED, TOTAL	\$m	Original Adjusted	522.9 523.1		534.2 518.3		538.0 510.4		518.6 566.3		575.2 575.2		605.3 587.1												
50.	HOUSES AND FLATS COMMENCED	'000 units	Original Adjusted	30.4 31.4		32.6 32.2		34.1 32.5		34.5 35.6		33.9 35.0		36.8 36.3												
51.	BUILDINGS, OTHER THAN HOUSES AND FLATS, COMMENCED	\$m	Original Adjusted	260.8 250.5		244.1 233.0		228.7 217.3		208.6 242.9		262.6 251.8		257.2 245.7												
52.	NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES Buildings and structures (a)	\$m	Original Adjusted	143.0 (326.4 anticipated) 170.4 (341.5 anticipated)		172.8 167.8		181.7 (419.4 anticipated) 178.0 (401.9 anticipated)		234.9 211.7		165.8 (474.2 anticipated) 197.1 (496.5 anticipated)		240.7 233.7		(532.1 anticipated) (509.5 anticipated)										
53.	NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES Other capital equipment (a)	\$m	Original Adjusted	261.2 (604.5 anticipated) 298.2 (620.9 anticipated)		338.2 313.8		302.7 (637.0 anticipated) 311.8 (620.5 anticipated)		340.3 316.5		279.1 (614.0 anticipated) 318.2 (630.8 anticipated)		353.3 328.3		(686.5 anticipated) (668.5 anticipated)										
FINANCE																										
54.	DEPOSITS SAVINGS BANKS	\$m	Original Adjusted	6,046 6,050	6,071 6,079	6,068 6,112	6,043 6,149	6,112 6,193	6,222 6,222	6,280 6,261	6,349 6,298	6,385 6,338	6,442 6,378	6,485 6,419	6,456 6,453	6,498 6,501	6,547 6,546	6,525 6,584	6,538 6,642	6,583 6,680	6,707 6,706	6,791 6,761	6,850 6,805			
55.	HOUSING LOANS, SAVINGS BANKS	\$m	Original	1,643	1,658	1,675	1,690	1,705	1,751	1,767	1,779	1,795	1,813	1,826	1,846	1,852	1,862	1,880	1,899	1,911	1,962	1,975	1,984			
56.	DEPOSITS, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$m	Original Adjusted	5,819 5,678	5,816 5,613	5,832 5,648	5,759 5,694	5,689 5,738	5,698 5,798	5,683 5,854	5,668 5,842	5,745 5,899	5,887 5,959	5,979 5,967	6,110 6,015	6,261 6,108	6,349 6,126	6,379 6,179	6,356 6,287	6,266 6,323	6,277 6,366	6,249 6,436	6,257 6,450	6,311 6,479		
57.	ADVANCES, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$m	Original Adjusted	3,267 3,333	3,288 3,410	3,354 3,444	3,504 3,483	3,559 3,517	3,598 3,541	3,662 3,566	3,676 3,631	3,665 3,659	3,717 3,680	3,705 3,700	3,718 3,736	3,687 3,760	3,633 3,766	3,677 3,774	3,820 3,797	3,901 3,855	3,952 3,890	4,027 3,921	3,980 3,932	3,986 3,982		
58.	NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$m	Original	29.7	29.7	34.8	38.5	35.9	34.9	35.5	41.1	30.7	35.6	31.9	33.1	26.2	32.4	34.3	37.3	38.7	38.1	42.0	36.4	44.6		
59.	FINANCE COMPANIES, BALANCES OUTSTANDING (b) /	\$m	Original	2,292	2,305	2,344	2,366	2,427	2,441	2,465	2,505	2,526	2,565	2,631	2,652	2,659	2,697	2,725	2,736	2,771	2,804	2,860	2,897			
60.	COMMONWEALTH BOND YIELD, SHORT DATED	per cent	Original	4.80	4.84	4.86	4.87	4.85	4.84	4.84	4.83	4.83	4.82	4.72	4.68	4.70	4.75	4.78	4.90	4.91	5.01	5.05	5.07	5.27		
61.	SHARE PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY (c)	\$m	Original	3,316	3,423	3,367	3,509	3,825	4,077	4,162	4,224	4,166	4,009	4,106	4,328	4,517	4,498	4,506	4,564	4,554	4,338	4,361	4,345	4,331		
62.	LISTED COMPANIES, NEW MONEY RAISED	\$m	Original Adjusted	116.0 148.9		122.2 162.1		201.3 167.1		196.8 156.8		164.1 206.7		218.0 289.9												
63.	TAXATION REVENUE, COMMONWEALTH AND STATE Consolidated revenue funds	\$m	Original Adjusted	368.7 435.1	508.2 461.8	551.8 466.6	781.3 436.1	675.1 454.9	637.3 456.5	333.9 457.2	301.1 466.9	283.5 468.4	346.5 489.0	381.3 510.0	384.6 501.6	441.2 522.6	546.8 519.9	619.6 514.2	839.8 476.7	734.4 496.2	784.6 552.2	382.0 521.1	369.5 594.0	377.1 600.5		

(a) See notes, page 16. (b) Contracts including charges, plus contracts excluding charges. Amounts shown are intended to provide a broad overall measure of total balances outstanding; however, movements may be affected by changes in the proportion of the two components to the total. (c) Average, three years ended June 1939 = 1,000. * Preliminary. / Revised.

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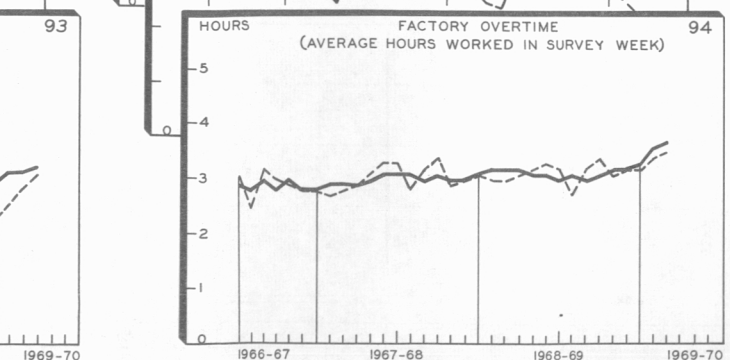
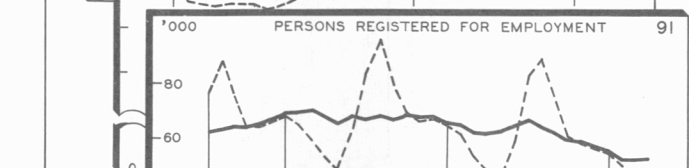
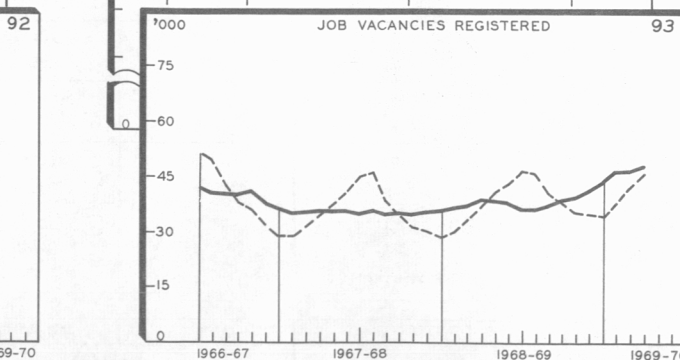
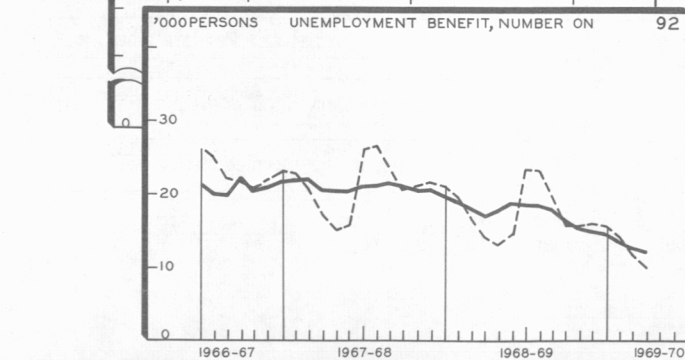
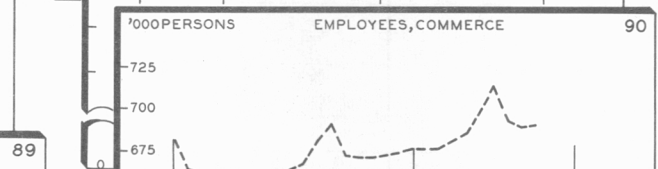
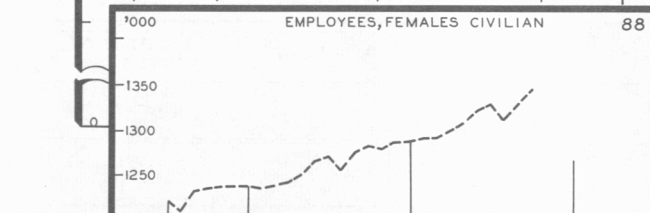
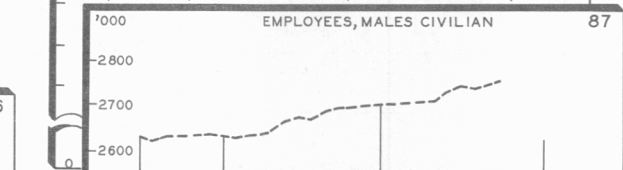
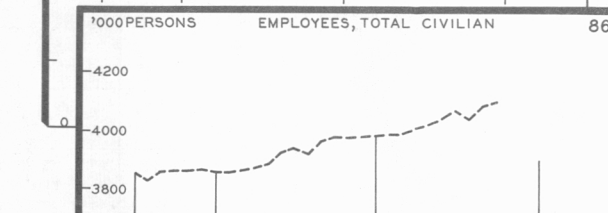
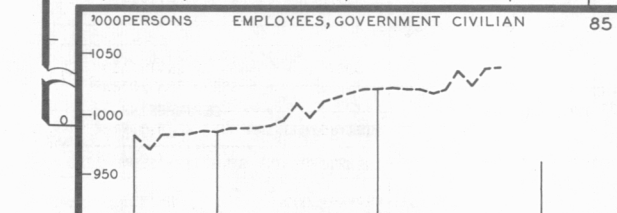
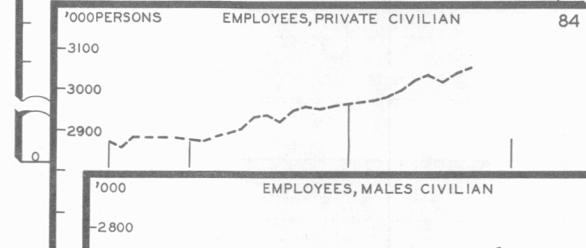
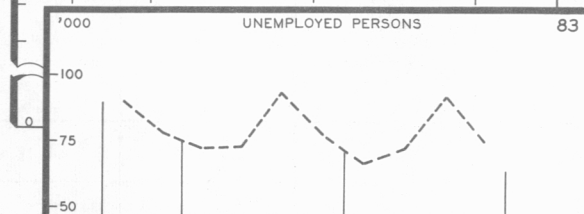
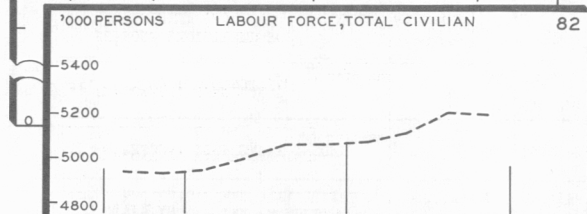
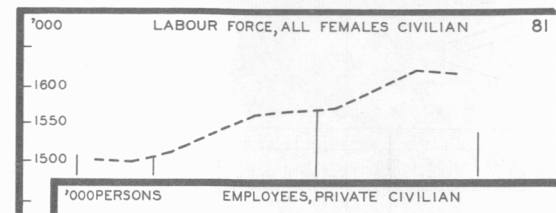
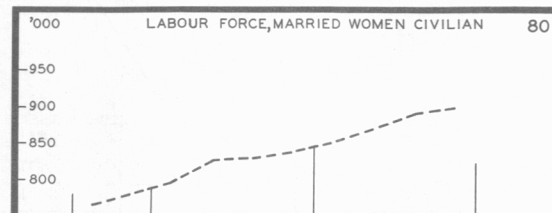
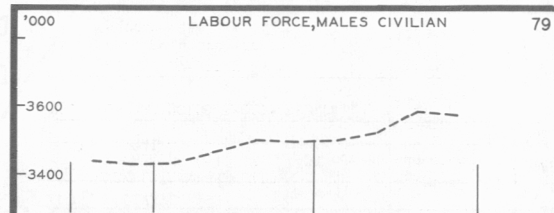
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		1967-68		1968-69				1969-70	
		March Qtr	June Qtr	Sept. Qtr	Dec. Qtr	March Qtr	June Qtr	Sept. Qtr	Dec. Qtr
NATIONAL ACCOUNTS									
64. GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT	Original	5,718	5,964	6,413	7,568	6,515	6,617		
\$m	Adjusted	6,105	6,288	6,418	6,734	6,886	7,013		
65. <u>plus</u> IMPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	Original	1,088	1,064	1,091	1,049	1,009	1,091		
\$m	Adjusted	1,103	1,050	1,068	1,074	1,022	1,075		
66. <u>less</u> EXPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	Original	857	935	900	994	966	1,033		
\$m	Adjusted	872	907	938	967	985	1,002		
67. GROSS NATIONAL EXPENDITURE	Original	5,949	6,093	6,604	7,623	6,558	6,675		
\$m	Adjusted	6,336	6,431	6,548	6,841	6,923	7,080		
GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT AT FACTOR COST									
68. FARM	Original	328	172	435	1,026	539	194		
\$m	Adjusted	434	441	466	570	525	528		
69. NON-FARM	Original	4,727	5,065	5,327	5,838	5,274	5,622		
\$m	Adjusted	4,993	5,173	5,274	5,445	5,645	5,744		
70. TOTAL	Original	5,055	5,237	5,762	6,864	5,813	5,816		
\$m	Adjusted	5,427	5,614	5,740	6,015	6,170	6,272		
71. WAGES, SALARIES AND SUPPLEMENTS	Original	3,014	3,209	3,276	3,613	3,376	3,593		
\$m	Adjusted	3,127	3,241	3,276	3,412	3,576	3,633		
72. INCOME OF FARM UNINCORPORATED ENTERPRISES	Original	105	-42	192	739	287	-37		
73. OTHER PERSONAL INCOME	Original	1,124	1,383	1,220	1,423	1,209	1,524		
74. <u>less</u> INCOME TAX PAYABLE and estate and gift duties	Original	507	550	587	758	617	637		
75. PERSONAL DISPOSABLE INCOME	Original	3,736	4,000	4,101	5,017	4,255	4,443		
76. PERSONAL CONSUMPTION	Original	3,555	3,734	3,738	4,132	3,807	4,000		
\$m	Adjusted	3,714	3,767	3,786	3,872	3,992	4,036		
GROSS FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE -									
77. PRIVATE	Original	948	1,113	1,092	1,236	1,062	1,256		
\$m	Adjusted	1,040	1,073	1,099	1,167	1,164	1,214		
78. TOTAL	Original	1,463	1,850	1,654	1,873	1,628	2,044		
\$m	Adjusted	1,618	1,702	1,708	1,796	1,798	1,887		

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		1967-68						1968-69						1969-70					
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
LABOUR FORCE (a)																			
79.	LABOUR FORCE, MALES CIVILIAN	'000	Original	3,500.7		3,496.8		3,499.9		3,527.6		3,584.2		3,579.8					
80.	LABOUR FORCE, MARRIED WOMEN, CIVILIAN	'000	Original	829.7		839.3		851.2		870.6		891.1		899.7					
81.	LABOUR FORCE, ALL FEMALES CIVILIAN	'000	Original	1,563.1		1,567.0		1,570.7		1,591.2		1,623.3		1,617.6					
82.	LABOUR FORCE, TOTAL CIVILIAN	'000	Original	5,063.8		5,063.7		5,070.6		5,118.8		5,207.5		5,197.4					
83.	UNEMPLOYED PERSONS	'000	Original	92.9		78.5		67.1		72.7		92.3		75.1					

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS (b)

84.	EMPLOYEES, PRIVATE CIVILIAN	'000 persons
85.	EMPLOYEES, GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN	'000 persons
86.	EMPLOYEES, TOTAL CIVILIAN	'000 persons
87.	EMPLOYEES, MALES CIVILIAN	'000
88.	EMPLOYEES, FEMALES CIVILIAN	'000
89.	EMPLOYEES, MANUFACTURING	'000 persons
90.	EMPLOYEES, COMMERCE	'000 persons

Items 84 to 90 are under review.

91.	PERSONS REGISTERED FOR EMPLOYMENT (c)	'000	Original	96.2	79.1	69.4	67.0	67.3	65.3	61.4	53.5	48.4	46.5	59.8	83.2	90.0	73.6	60.2	58.3	56.8	54.9	49.5	44.9	41.1
			Adjusted	68.7	67.4	69.0	68.1	68.3	65.8	65.3	62.8	62.3	63.1	64.9	67.4	64.2	62.8	59.9	59.2	57.6	55.3	52.6	52.7	52.9
92.	UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, NUMBER ON (d)	'000 persons	Original	26.7	23.9	20.7	21.1	21.8	21.3	19.8	16.8	14.2	13.3	14.8	23.5	23.4	19.9	15.9	15.9	16.1	15.9	14.4	11.9	10.1
			Adjusted	21.4	21.7	21.2	20.7	20.8	19.9	19.2	18.0	17.2	18.0	19.3	18.9	18.8	18.1	16.3	15.6	15.3	14.9	14.0	12.7	12.3
93.	JOB VACANCIES REGISTERED (c)	'000	Original	46.6	38.4	35.0	31.5	30.6	28.7	30.2	33.8	37.6	41.3	43.9	47.1	46.3	40.7	38.6	35.6	35.4	35.0	38.3	42.4	46.7
			Adjusted	36.7	35.4	35.5	35.3	36.2	36.4	37.1	37.9	39.4	39.0	38.4	36.9	36.5	37.7	39.2	40.0	42.0	44.4	47.1	47.6	48.8
94.	FACTORY OVERTIME (e)		Original	2.8	3.2	3.4	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.2	2.7	3.2	3.4	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.5	
	Average hours worked in survey week		Adjusted	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.6	3.7	

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. The labour force is the sum of the employed and the unemployed.

(b) Figures in items 84-90 refer only to employed wage and salary earners. They exclude employees in agriculture and private domestic service.

(c) Registered with Commonwealth Employment Service. Generally last Friday of the month.

(d) Last Saturday of month. Exclude Torres Strait Islanders.

(e) Larger private factories.

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